

## WCHS Booster Club Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 11, 2014

7pm – Room 117

**In attendance:** Mary Ellen Mengucci, Elaine Arndt, Larry Tanenbaum, Allyson Bergman, Scott Levenson, Marlo Sims, Jim Edwards, John Kwant, Norka Padilla, Wendy Wilson, Chris Nazarian, Ari Storch, Joe Muscarella

**Call to order:** 7:12pm by Larry Tanenbaum, President.

**Approval of Minutes:** 5/7/14 Minutes Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Scott Levenson

The Night at the Races net income totaled \$14,000, last year's gala netted \$20,000. There are still some items to be sold for the auction for additional revenue. YTD, \$19,895 is the net Booster Club income. On balance, without the contingent liabilities of the dugouts (\$45,000) and the turf initial payment (\$25,000) or the team accounts (\$25,000), cash on hand for the new fiscal year will start at approximately \$87,000.

Allyson requested a year to year accounting for the store sales and expenses from Scott L.

**Concessions:** Chris Nazarian

Most everything is out of the concession stand. Fran has agreed to stay on to assist Chris during football season in the fall. Scott L reiterated the need for internal controls on the cash; he has provided a cash reporting sheet to Larry, and he recommended using it. It was reiterated that the cash drawer should be managed by one person per night and that the manager and one other should count the cash, prepare it for deposit, and deposit in the bank. Wendy has contacts in other schools who can help refine our system. Allyson will assist since she has experience in the concessions area. Other schools pay a manager to run the stand.

**Apparel:** Allyson Bergman

Allyson will conduct ordering in July and has done preliminary inventory work. Team and club logo items can be ordered online in the school apparel website rather than carried in the school store. She is gathering ideas for a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary CHS t shirt for sale next fall; Larry has a vintage shirt to get ideas from.

**Turf Update** – Larry Tanenbaum

The MCPS Board of Education approved the synthetic turf project at their June 3 meeting. The project now goes to the County Council for approval; in the meantime, fundraising can commence. The county and contractors will begin their processes. The preference is to involve the whole community and create a project that will provide benefit to the school and local surrounding community (including discussions of lighting, parking, opening/closing times, track access, availability to local community, etc.) A cork field is being explored to provide lower field temperatures and a more eco-friendly composite material.

A fundraising plan is being designed to raise the remaining \$200,000 needed from Booster Club by November or December. Joe Muscarella and Bill Leonard will develop the large donation plan. Larry will review the website used by Wootton and recommended by Daniel Freeman for use as a paver order vehicle and provider. Alumni and local feeder middle schools and elementary schools will need to be informed and involved. A suggestion was made to have representatives at the start of school picnics in the fall. Coaches will be contacted to inform alumni athletes.

**New Business** – Norka Padilla

Crew club requested \$3400 for 8 new oars at \$425 each, estimated to last 7 years. Norka noted that Crew has been 100% Boosters membership two years in a row, with the goal of 3 years. Crew sponsored a Night at the Races Race as well as horses. The club has large expenses absorbed by the families and their own fundraising: \$40-60,000 for a new boat, \$10,000 for a boat trailer and other expenses. The Novice Girls team was the State Champ this year. It is a three season sport. The old oars can be decorated and enhanced to be used as auction items. Student athletes thrive in this sport and bear the responsibility since parents generally know little about the sport. The motion was made by Larry, seconded by Scott L and was approved with no dissent.

**Election of New officers for 2014-15** – Jim Edwards, Nominations chair

The following slate was approved by a quorum of the Boosters Board:

President – Larry Tanenbaum

Vice President – Allyson Bergman

Vice President – Chris Nazarian

Treasurer – Martha Shannon

Secretary – Elaine Arndt

Board Member Representatives for next school year were mentioned and will be confirmed by email.

A Membership Chair is needed to provide a focal point for membership questions and plans. A committee is already in place.

**Summer Projects** - Larry

Larry will send out an email announcing meetings to take place this summer as well as openings on committees. He would like to hit the ground running in August.

**Announcements**

Ari Storch – A swim team fundraiser for Whitman swim coach Jeff Schaeffer will be held this fall following the sudden tragic death of his wife. Look for details to come.

Meeting adjourned 8:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Marlo Sims, Secretary

Elaine Arndt, Minutes Editor